

Amendments to the Abstract

Please amend the abstract at page 33 to read as follows.

A recording apparatus includes a carriage for carrying a recording head and being scanningly movable in the apparatus; a guide shaft for guiding the carriage in a predetermined scanning direction; a drive transmitting portion for transmitting a driving force for scanning movement of the carriage; an elongated member in which information relating to a position of the carriage in the predetermined direction is recorded, the elongated member being elongate in the predetermined direction, and the elongated member is being disposed across the carriage from the guide shaft; and a detecting member, provided in the carriage, for detecting information relating to the position in the predetermined direction recorded in the elongated member.